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Visual Arts

Adoption Cycle VI - 2004-2010 Instructional Materials Evaluation Tool

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Title

Publisher Item Evaluated Content Level ISBN

Copyright Date
Date of Evaluation

Recommended YES NO

Publisher's Explanation of Reviewer's Comments:

Technology Strengths Technology Weaknesses

Instruction & Assessment Strengths Instruction & Assessment Weaknesses

Organization & Structure Strengths Organization & Structure Weaknesses

Resource Materials Strengths Resource Materials Weaknesses

Technology Technology Comments Equipment Windows CD ROM Macintosh Sound **Equipment Other Grade Level** Intermediate **Primary** Middle High Audience Rating Scale: 0-Not applicable; 1-None of the time; 2 Minimally; 3-Some of the time; 4-Most of the time

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Individual		Small Group		Large Group			
Format							
Stand Alone/Independent		Integra	Integrated		al		
Cost							
Single Copy			School Version				
Network Version			Online				
Site License			Lab Pack				
Type of Software							
Simulation		Tutorial		Critical Thinking			
Management		Exploratory		Utility			
Interdisciplinary		Creativity		Type of Software -			
Problem Solving		Drill and Practice		Other			
Management Allows customizing for individual learning needs							
			Students to exit and resur				
		Keeps s	tudent's performance rec	ord, where needed			
			ontrol of various aspects				
		Allows p	rinted reports	, ,			
Presentation/Inte	rface						
		Presents ma	terial in organized manner				
Consistent, easy-to-use, on-screen instructions							
	Developmentally correct presentation/ format						
Adapts to different learning styles/multiple intelligences							
Accessible for special needs students							
Runs smoothly, without long delays							
Easy-to-view text and graphics							
Easy-to-hear and understand sounds							
Avoids unnecessary screens, sounds, and graphics							
Provides immediate, appropriate feedback							
Presentation/Interface Comments							
Rating		Strength			Weakness		

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Rating	Strength	Weakness				
Identifies a Sense of Purpose						
Provides Guiding Que	stions and Instructional Objectives					
Develops and Builds of	on Student Ideas					
Encourages student to become an independent learner (performer, creator, speaker)						
Assesses Student Prog	gress - Commonwealth Accountability Testing System (C	ATS) "like" Assessment is provided. Variety of				
Assessments (diagnos	stic, formative, Summative, open response, multiple choice	ce, individual, small group, oral demonstrations,				
presentations, portfoli	o prompts) is included, Performance assessment opportu	nities are also included.				
Enhances the Learning	g Environment					
Reading level appropr	iate for interest and ability level of intended student group	; level remains consistent throughout				
Includes activities and	opportunities for integration of technology					
Reflects research-base student thinking	ed practices (e.g. hands-on activities, technology, problen	n-solving situations) engaging students and promoting				
Is aligned to the Program of Studies and Core Content for Assessment						
Includes opportunities for writing (reviews / personal response / reflection)						

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Rating	Strength	Weakness				
Art Elements:						
Principl	es of Design:					
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Art Media:						
Art Pro	cesses/Production:					
Art Criti	icism or Analysis of Art:					
Purpose	e of Art:					
Visual A	Art in different Cultures:					
Art Subject Matters:						
Effect on Time, Place, Belief System on Visual Art:						
Careers in Visual Arts:						
Connections to Other Art Forms:						

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